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Attorney General Ashcroft

US Department of Justice

950 Pennsylvania Avenue

Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

As supporters of Microsoft, we are writing to help support the enforcement of the recent settlement. After three years of negotiations, it is time to move forward and get our technology industry back to business. Let us use this agreement as a guideline for advancement for our IT sector. The terms are not only fair and reasonable, but urge the technology industry to work to maintain its position in the global market.

Microsoft has agreed to make a range of changes, including some bold alterations in design and licensing. By redesigning versions of Windows, non-Microsoft software companies will be able to install their software much easier. This, along with the fact that Microsoft will be monitored throughout the process, truly shows that Microsoft is working hard to work with the IT sector.

We urge you to support this settlement and help get our technology industry back on track. We thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Richard & Linda Deahl